does nothing towards erecting or reverſing, but repreſents the Image as it is in the *Diſtinct-Baſe* of the *Object-glaſs* before it, that is, inverted. The third Glaſs erects, or rather reſtores what was before inverted. The fourth repreſents the Image as it receives it from the *Diſtinct-Baſe* of the third, that is, erect. And this I think a ſufficient Solution of this Problem.

An uncommon Inſcription *lately found on a very great* Baſis *of a Pillar, dug up at* Rome; *with an Interpretation of the ſame by the learned Dr.* Voſſius.

THis Inſcription was ſent by that excellent Philoſopher and Mathematician Mr. *Adrian Auzout*, who coppyed it from the Stone, to Mr. *Juſtel*, who was pleaſed to communicate it to the *Royal Society*, together with the Sentiments of Dr. *Voſſius* therupon, of which the Reader may Judg.

The Inſcription is three fold upon three ſides of the Baſis, and as follows.

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An Extract of the Letter of Dr. *Voſſius* to Mr. *Iuſtel* upon the Subject of this Inſcription.

——Bene noſti claſſem Ægyptiacam ſive Cataplum Alexandrinum antequam portus Oſtiæ eſſet exſtructus, ſingulis Annis appuliſſe Puteolos, unde demum frumentum Romam deferebatur. Poſtquam vero Auguſtus, & Claudius Cæſares & poſtea Nero Oſtiæ portum aperuerunt, jam annona non tantum Puteolos ſed & longe maxima ſui parte Oſtiam appetebat. Conſtat autem tempore Tiberii pulſos Roma fuiſſe Judæos & Ægyptios; unde factum eſt ut ab Oſtia per agrum Laurentem deportaretur frumentum Ariciam et Albam longam uſque ad Bovillas, ad decimum nempe ab Urbe Lapidem; neque enim longius progredi permittebatur. A Bovillis enim Romam per Inſtitores Romanos deferebatur, neque enim Ægyptiis aut Judæis in Urbe habitare aut horrea habere erat licitum. Menſoribus vero & Venditoribus frumenti Oſtiæ & paſſim alibi præfuiſſe Decuriones & hoc quoque ex jure conſtat Sed vero omnibus iſtis minoribus Decurionibus, qui in ſingulis locis & Urbibus frumenti curam haberent, præfuiſſe alium Decurio-

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nem, qui vicem Præfecti Annonæ obiret, & in omnibus iſtis inferiorum Decurionum Collegiis primum teneret locum, id manifeſte ex hac patet Inſcriptione, ubi minores Decuriones Bovillani honorem faciunt Equiti Romano & Palatino, qui Decurio ſeu Curialis & Fretriacus in omnibus eſſet locis & urbibus, a quibus & per quas Annona Ægyptiaca Romam devehebatur. Decuriones vero promotos fuiſſe ad honorem Sacerdotii, ita ut ſimul Flamines, Luperci, Epulones Jovis, & Paraſiti fierent Apollinis; & hoc quoq; multis conſtat exemplis. Omne vero dubium tollit, quod in hac Inſcriptione eques ille Romanus vocetur Antinoiton & Eunoſtidon Decurio. Antinoi enim urbs præcipua tum temporis Ægypti ſuperioris erat Civitas, unde per multas foſſas frumentum deferebatur ad Mareotin lacum, qui ad Eunoſti portum exit in Mare. Ab hoc portu dicti Eunoſtidæ curatores frumenti Ægyptiaci; unde demum confectus deus Eunoſtus rei frumentariæ Inſpector, qui huic præſideret portui.

Several Obſervations of the Eclipſe of *Jupiter* by the *Moon* on *March* the 31*th.* 1686. St.*Vet.* whereof ſome account has already been given in Tranſaction *No.* 181.

THe moſt accurate Obſervation of this Eclipſe we have received, is that of Mr. *Caſſini*, made in the Royal Obſervatory at *Paris*, publiſhed in the *Journal des Scavans* of the 10*th* of *June* laſt, the ſubſtance whereof is as follows.

April 10*th.* St, *N. Veſperi* Mr. *Caſſini*, aſſiſted by other Aſtronomers, attended upon this Occultation with Teleſcopes of 21 and 70 foot, while one was deputed to take the Altitudes of ♃ to verifie the time.

At 9*h.* 31*m.* 6*ſec.* ♃ was in a perpendicular falling on the Limb of the ☽ over againſt the Northern Part of the ſpot *Grimaldi* (*Mareotis*) near to *Riccioli* (*ſtag. Miris*) and was diſtant from the Limb about four times as much as the ſaid ſpot.

9*h.*